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From The Editor...

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Featured below is an advisement from Harry, W7HSA regarding the Washington State QSO party, also known as the "Salmon Run". This is an annual "contest" put on by the fine folks at the Western Washington DX club. The RCT used this event to our advantage last year as a fund raiser, and it was very successful. The idea was for everyone interested to pledge a certain amount to the club for every Washington county that RCT worked. There are thirty-nine counties in Washington state, so if you pledged one USA dollar for each county that would amount to a measly thirty-nine bucks! Please contact Harry W7HSA for details or see W7DK.org. 73 Gary WG7X

Now it's time for the WG7X local Geographic Quiz!
Who can correctly identify the following two local places?

Only one person guessed about the two pictures…

Congratulations to Rich, KR7W for correctly identifying Palouse Falls, and he got very close with a guess about the island picture. Rich guessed Wizard Island in Crater lake. It is in fact the "Phantom Ship" island in that very same Crater lake!

SALMON RUN

The purpose of the Salmon Run, also known as the Washington QSO party, is to work stations in as many States, Canadian call areas, DX entities, and Washington counties as possible. The Salmon Run runs September 19 - 20starting at Saturday at 1600Z through 0700Z and Sunday from 1600Z through 2400Z.

Detailed info can be found on the RCT website. **Harry, W7HSA**

Board Meeting
1 July, 2009

The 1 July Radio Club of Tacoma Board meeting was held at the Radio Club of Tacoma. President Jill Palmer K7JIL called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

Officers and board members present:

President: Jill Palmer – K7JIL
Vice President: Rick Rose – KE7EMW
Secretary: Larry Watson -- KD4VOM
Treasurer: Joe Lester K7AWJ
Board Member: Frank Palmer – AC7JY
Board Member:Al Burleson – K7HW
Board Member:Harry Adams – W7HSA

A sign in sheet with the names of members and guests is attached. There were 8 names on the attendance roster

HEALTH AND WELFARE: President Jill reports sending cards to Casey – WY7V, Betty Burleson, Larry (KD4VOM) and Janice Watson, and to the family of Paul M Nadeau – N7VBJ – Silent Key

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Larry Watson – KD4VOM

Minutes from the 3 June 2009 board meeting were approved as coordinated/corrected by e-mail.

Larry reported the usual utility bills, bank statements, our annual Post Office Box rent bill and the Airstream Club Internet Service Provider Bill. *A copy of the current correspondence log is attached to the original copy of the minutes.*

TREASURER'S REPORT: Joe Lester K7AWJ presented the monthly report

A copy of the Monthly financial statement is attached.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Rick Rose KE7EMW reports the current membership stands at 320.

Open House: Jill reports that Steve – AD7AB will take the 11 July Open House, Harry – W7HSA offered to take July 18th, and Larry – KD4VOM and Al K7HW will take the 25th of July.

Field Day: Preliminary reports indicate that this year's Field Day, while smaller than in previous years was a success. We fielded in category 3A plus GOTA, and Satellite stations. There was an issue on the Honeybucket bill for three porta-potties in that we asked for two and they delivered three. Jill – K7JIL will negotiate removal of the extra charge. Bob – AD7LJ received the Honeybucket bill and presented it for payment at the meeting. The bill is being held pending the outcome of Jill – K7JIL's discussions with them. Rick – KE7EMW reported the attendance of our newest member, Dean Griffin – KE7KZD, who not only made his first contact with Rick, but also got on the air with the 75 meter station hosted by Bill – AD7QI. Charles – KD7UAN reported a 6 meter contact with Florida during Field Day operations.

Hamfest: Larry – KD4VOM reports that preparations for Hamfest are coming along and on track for 8 August at the Bethel Jr. High School.

Volunteers are needed for Admission Ticket Sales, Raffle Ticket Sales, Setup and Loading team, Vendor Reception and as always teardown and cleanup. Harry – W7HSA volunteered to help with Ticket Sales.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Furnace: Al – K7HW presented the bill for replacing the two defective heating elements in the furnace. Old Time Electric did the work and the final bill came to $ 194.79 which included two element kits and labor. *Motion: It was moved, seconded and passed to pay the bill.*

The remaining heating project is the insulation of the heating ducts. Frank – AC7JY will research and get bids for this work.

There was a discussion on the utility of a programmable thermostat. In the end it was agreed that a programmable thermostat capable of insuring that the furnace always returned to a minimum level (e.g. 55 degrees) daily was worth the estimated cost of less than $50.00.The issue here was to insure that if someone forgot to manually turn the thermostat down and the heat remained on for days until discovered we would waste energy and increase our cost of operations. *Motion: A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the expenditure of up to $ 50.00 for a programmable thermostat for the Club's furnace*. Rick – KE7EMW took on this project.

Lawn Maintenance: A message from the IRT Team advises the Board that the IRT team feels itself unqualified to purchase a mower for the club and will not be involved in the shopping or purchase of a mower.

Motion: A motion was made to: Authorize Frank Palmer – AC7JY to be reimbursed up to the amount of $ 1,000.00 for the purchase of a new or used riding lawnmower, with the understanding that a used mower would most likely cost considerably less than the $ 1,000.00 limit. The Motion was seconded and in the discussion that followed it was the consensus that the previously agreed to $ 800.00 figure was adequate for the task.

Motion Amendment: It was moved to amend the motion to replace the reimbursement amount of $ 1,000.00 with $ 800.00. The motion to amend was seconded and passed

The final Motion seconded and passed read: Authorize Frank Palmer – AC7JY to be reimbursed up to the amount of $ 800.00 for the purchase of a new or used riding lawnmower, with the understanding that a used mower would most likely cost considerably less than the $ 1,000.00 limit.

The Treasurer will move the $ 2,600.00 transferred to the IRT Account, for purchase of the mower and alarm system bill of materials, back to the General Checking Account for future payment of the lawnmower expense.

Alarm System: A message from the IRT Team advises that the IRT Team will be happy to reimburse Rick Rose for the purchase of the alarm system components.

Rick Rose – KE7EMW agreed to procure the Alarm System Bill of Materials and will require an advance from the General Checking Account when the final cost is established. It is expected that the cost will be less than the $ 1,800 initially authorized by the Board.

Clubhouse basement water: There was a brief discussion on the basement standing water in the winter problem. It was agreed that the sump pump provided by Frank – AC7JY would be a backup system, and that moving the mound of dirt around the Clubhouse foundation to create a slope away from the building might help. The use of flexible hose attachments to the downspouts might also move water away from the foundation.

Clubhouse Maintenance and Cleanup: Work still needs to be done. Jill – K7JIL will contact Al – N7OMS and possibly ask for help at the general membership meetings.

Equipment Loan Policy: Although an equipment loan team has been agreed to, we have not yet formed a team. We know many who have the necessary knowledge and skills to train, assist, or qualify others in the use of specific gear such as the Mac Park's antenna analyzer, but have not yet reached the goal of appointing members to this function.

At the last meeting we also agreed on the use of a promissory note to protect the club against equipment damage and obligate the borrower financially for any repairs or maintenance accruing from their use of the equipment. Joe – K7AWJ presented a draft promissory note for consideration.

Tube Inventory/Property Selection Team: Gary – WG7X hasn't had time yet to start this project, but Al –AC7BU has offered to help, and Al – K7HW will ask Bob – K7MXE if he can pitch in to get the ball rolling.

Property Management: While the Property Management Standard Operating Procedure remains in development, the discussion at tonight's meeting addressed the need for someone to begin accomplishing the basic task of identifying and valuing our current holdings, and to manage the selection and coordination of property/equipment not currently or in the future required for club operations or spares.

Like the Tube property selection team, most of us know many who in the club have the requisite experience, knowledge and skills necessary to accomplish these tasks, but without exception virtually none have been willing to step forward to handle these tasks. We know the Who and why, but in our volunteer organization we seem unable to find the willing.

Tonight, Al – K7HW agreed to be part of the Property Management Team, and will ask Bob – K7MXE and Al – AC7BU along with others as needed, to join them in the equipment property project by finishing the inventory, coordinating the club's short and long term needs for the Museum, HF Station, Field Day and other operations. Equipment not needed by the club will be recommended for disposition, by whatever means the Board approves.

King Davis Estate: Rick – KE7EMW reports that Carol Davis' plan to handle King – KE7ASO's ham gear has not panned out as expected. Rick reiterated to Carol our willingness to provide pricing assistance.

IRT Team: Responsibility for the mower and alarm system components purchases were reallocated – See entries above.

Clubhouse Use: There has been a request to use the Clubhouse by Rich – N7ANF.

NEW BUSINESS: None appeared

:**DISCUSSION TOPICS:** None appeared

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None appeared

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm

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8 July 20009
GENERAL MEETINGMINUTES

The 8 July, 2009 Monthly Membership meeting was held at the Pierce County Library Administration Building. . President Jill Palmer K7JIL called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Officers and board members present:

President: Jill Palmer – K7JIL
Secretary: Larry Watson -- KD4VOM
Treasurer: Joe Lester K7AWJ
Board Member: Frank Palmer – AC7JY
Board Member: Harry Adams – W7HSA

A sign in sheet with the names of members and guests is attached. There were 51 names on the attendance roster

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Was led by President Jill – K7JIL

INTRODUCTIONS: Self introductions were completed and guests welcomed. Phil KE7LFL was recognized as a first time attendee. There were several new calls including Carol – KF7DPV and special attendees, Kathleen – N0EYK and Roger -- K8RN Nace who served the club as officers and in many capacities for many years.

ILLNESS OR SILENT KEY: There were no reports of illness or silent key. Casey WY7V is recovering from her recent hospitalization and was present tonight.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Larry Watson – KD4VOM reports the usual correspondence; utility bills, bank statements, as well as several QSL cards from Field Day and reservations for the upcoming Hamfest. *A copy of the correspondence log is attached to the original copy of the minutes.*

TREASURER'S REPORT: Joe Lester K7AWJ

Financial information available on request.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: There was no membership report.

Field Day: Larry – KD4VOM provided a highlight report on the recent Field Day. We fielded 75, 40 and 20 Meter stations along with a UHF and Get On The Air Station. Bill Wright – AC7QI headed up 75 Meters, Don Hatlestad – K7OG the 20 Meter station and Jay Leatham – KD7DKY the 20 meter station. Charles Smith – KD7UAN hosted both the VHF/UHF Station and the GOTA station. Bob – AD7LJ again provided the Satellite station and made a Field Day contact. The scores have not yet been tallied, and Bob -- AD7LJ has asked for all the logs so that he can compile and report the results to the ARRL. There was food, fun and many gained valuable experiences. A special thanks to all who helped make Field Day happen this year.

Hamfest: Larry – KD4VOM provided a report on plans for this year's Hamfest which will be held at the Bethel Junior High on Saturday, 8 August. We are still looking for help and volunteers. As in year's past, we will be having a Country Store, Consignments, VE Testing, food, fun and prizes. W7DK.org has full information and a downloadable version and map.

PROGRAM: Ken Gibson – N7ELF presented tonight's program: Ham Radio Deluxe

Ken demonstrated this very popular and useful piece of open source software that integrates radio control, logging, digital operations and much more. Using his own homebrew antenna, HF radio and interface equipment, along with a laptop and projector Ken provided a detailed overview and exploration of this valuable and useful program. There were many who provided inputs, and contributed to a better understanding of Ham Radio Deluxe, as well as comments identifying some of its limitations, for example it does not yet play well with the Microsoft Vista Operating system.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Salmon Run: Harry -- W7HSA reminded all that the Salmon Run contest is coming up on 19 and 20 September together with our annual Salmon Run fund raising project.

WASHJAM: Steve – AD7VL announced the Club's participation in this year's Scouting Jamboree to be held at Fort Lewis North Camp on August 20 – 23. Steve is seeking volunteers to work with the Scouts at the Amateur Radio Station we are setting up for them.

Club Mower: We are pleased to report that Frank – AD7JY has acquired a riding lawnmower for the club, and that Al – AC7BU has already made use of it to get our lawn under control. Thanks to both for helping keep the Club lawn shipshape.

Chehalis Hamfest: Rich -- KR7W reminded all of the upcoming Chehalis Hamfest at 9AM 11 July. This will be a "California tailgate/trunk style Hamfest with an attendance fee of $ 3.00.

TUNING AND TRAFFIC:

Al --W7AML reports that Asia has been open on 40 Meter CW early in the morning, and others report 10 meters is occasionally opening up too.

DOOR PRIZE: A Grab Bag of goodies and a Weller soldering iron was won by Casey – WY7V

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM

GENERAL MEETING
22 July 2009 MINUTES

The 22 July 2009 Monthly Membership meeting was held at the Pierce County Library Administration Building. . President Jill Palmer K7JIL called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

Officers and board members present:

President: Jill Palmer – K7JIL
Vice President: Rick Rose – KE7EMW
Secretary: Larry Watson -- KD4VOM
Board Member: Frank Palmer – AC7JY
Board Member: : Harry Adams – W7HSA

A sign in sheet with the names of members and guests is attached. There were 45 names on the attendance roster.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Was led by President Jill – K7JIL

INTRODUCTIONS:

Self introductions were completed and several guests welcomed.

ILLNESS OR SILENT KEY: There were no notices of illness or Silent Keys.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Larry Watson – KD4VOM reports the usual utility bills, and bank statements, along with the annual property value assessment several QSL cards and Hamfest table reservations.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Rick Rose KE7EMW reports the current membership at 321 and one more received tonight.

Hamfest: Larry KD4VOM reported on this year's Hamfest planning activities. The annual Hamfest is a major club fund raising activity and deserves the full support of the membership. We are on track, have mailed over eight hundred and fifty letters to clubs, hams and vendors and are receiving the normal responses. We do need more help with the Hamfest tasks. There will be a Hamfest planning meeting at 10:00 am this Saturday morning and all are invited to attend. Larry passed around a Hamfest volunteer form to those present.

PROGRAM: Rich Patrick KR7W and Chuck Kemmer AC7QN presented tonight's program: **Wining the 2008 Salmon Run Contest**

The Salmon were not the only ones to persevere during last year's "Salmon Run." Our very-own Rich – KR7W and Chuck – AC7QN, the winners of the 2008 Salmon Run, presented a slide show of how they persevered to win the prize using 90 watts and an NVIS dipole antenna. The documentary was complete with travelogue, a visit to "Elmer" and the DK Burger restaurant, all of which were well received. Of particular interest was the analysis of the operational power requirements and loading which revealed the coffee pot was hogging almost all of the 1000 portable generator output. Operations and travel strategy and statistical results were provided, along with lessons learned. Al Williams K7PUC explained some of the more technical considerations of the NVIS (Near Vertical Incident Skywave) antenna system which was used in the Salmon Run to gain local area propagation and seemed to work well, certainly enough to win the Western Washington DX Club's Salmon Run winner award.

Field Day Photos: Mike – W7GHW presented a comprehensive slide show of this year's Field Day setup, operations and lots of hats with calls.

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

Meeting Theme: President Jill – K7JIL, recognizing the many "Aloha" Hawaiian shirts at tonight's meeting, suggested we use the Hawaiian theme for our August 26th meeting night.

160 Meters for Field Day: Al K7PUC made a case for asking the ARRL to consider adding a 160 meter bonus category for Field Day scoring. 160 meters will take some extra effort but has utility in the ARRL's and other organizations emergency operations by providing better HF local coverage/propagation. Many supported the idea and recommended the Board consider the proposal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Camp Muir: Jay Leatham KD7DKY and some friends are planning an 8 August Camp Muir trip and will be using simplex to make some contacts with a camping setup.

Nick K7MO: Jill – K7JIL reports that Nick -– K7MO is still kicking. His work at KPLU during their transition to a new facility has kept him away from meetings but he promises to return soon as the workload moves back to normal.

DOOR PRIZE: Red – WA7LON picked up tonight's door prize which included a grab bag of electronic goodies and a soldering iron.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm

VE REPORT John AC7WW

Five Candidates were present for the monthly testing session at the Radio Club of Tacoma's clubhouse. Nine VE's were on hand to grade the exams.

Eight elements were graded with four being passed. Two new Technician operators joined the service. Two candidates upgraded to General. One candidate failed to upgrade at this session.

The next testing session will be at the Hamfest, Saturday August 8th. The next scheduled testing session at the club house will be Tuesday, August 11th.

Thanks to the following VE's for their time and effort.

Harry, W7HSA	Joe, W7RQ
Steve, AD7VL	Jon, AD7AW
Rich, KK7VH	Jim, N7RHX
Stephen, AD7AB	Bob, AD7LJ

Dateline: August 2009

Sparky's "View from the Shack"

This and that around the club, and more…

Sparky's *welcomes comments, ideas and letters to "The RCT View", but reserves the right to procrastinate, and generally ignore social engineering or cranky inputs. Editorial philosophy — While there occasionally may be reason and rhyme as we go along, the goal is to ramble through the many and varied activities of the Club and its members as we take another trip around the sun.*

Our Legacy

- *Our Legacy…*
- *Mystery photo*
- *Field Day…*
- *View from the Shack*

This month Sparky attempts a sort of "Before and After" scheme for our legacy section. Instead of a separate section, we'll look at a comparison of sorts to recent events.

We'll keep the Mystery Photo going though.

Mystery Photo

This month the mystery photo is of one of our members who went on to fame, if not fortune.

W7DK Field Day

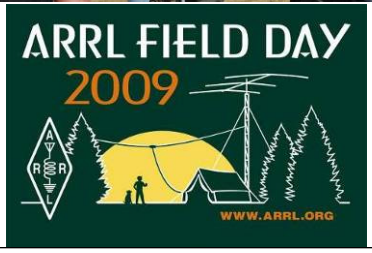
Field Day this year was a bit of a change from recent years. For several reasons, the RCT Field Day was different, and for several reasons the RCT Field Day this year was the same. We were smaller in numbers and stations, but just the same in enthusiasm and spirit. We didn't drag out the huge vintage power generators and power distribution system, but we operated successfully on small individual generators. Sparky noticed a decidedly more relaxed atmosphere and a sort of "just do it" approach. The usual reception tent manned by venerable John Clarke AC7WW, the Safety and Comfort station managed by Rick KE7EMW and Gilead KE7IGV, the Kitchen operation under the loose supervision of Larry KD4VOM and the steady hand of his XYL Janice; along with the circus tent erectors; Jay KD7DKY, George KD7QBE, Steve AD7AB, Jan K7HTU

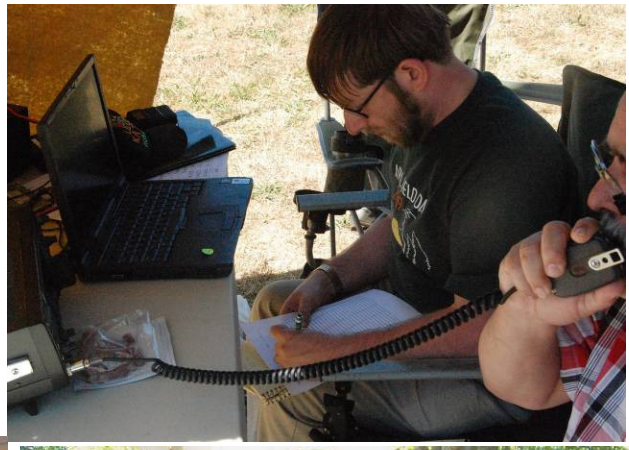
It was great fun, and the food was better than ever, The Logger's breakfast on

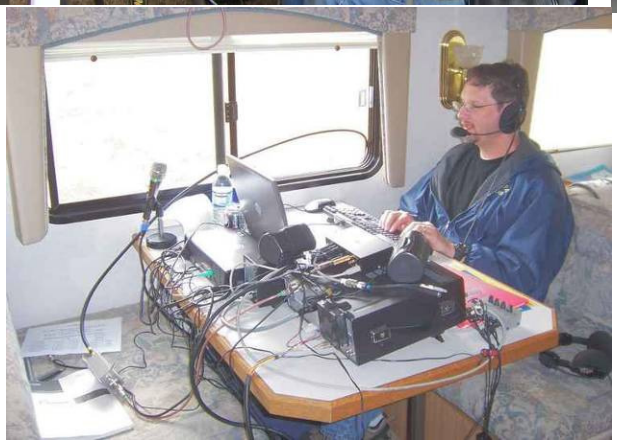
Sunday sported omelets to order, French toast, and eggs to order under the skilled hand of Jan K7HTU. While Bob AD7LJ managed the pancake flipping operations. — No one went away hungry…

Here's the "Before Field Day Photos.

And now, the "After" W7DK Field Day 2009 selection:







We may have been smaller this year, but if you were there, it was a W7DK field day, complete with setup, operations, and plenty of food and fun.

A special thanks to all who hustled all the gear out, put it up, operated stations and tutored others. And to the cooks who made sure our tummies were happy campers. Lastly, the photographers, without whom we wouldn't be able to share our annual excursion to the field.

Attaboys:

As many of you know, the club has been looking for a replacement lawn-mower. Frank AC7JY to the rescue… Once the Board gave the green light we had a mower within a week!

Frank AC7JY, Bob K7MXE and Al AC7BU delivered the mower and Al hopped on and trimmed the turf. Thanks to all. Another tip of the hat goes to Al K7HW, who arranged to have our broken furnace repaired. Took a day and at a very reasonable price. The furnace should warm our hearts and bodies well this winter.

View from the Shack…

We've been busy as usual, with the Picnic and Field Day in the record books, its now time to turn to the Hamfest on 8 August at the Bethel Junior High, and then September rolls around and we put Ham Radio up front and center at the Western Washington Fair in Puyallup.

We need volunteers to help with Hamfest.

Pat WT7N is chairing the W7DK at the Fair for the last time. We're looking for someone to understudy Pat this year to insure that the opportunity to promote amateur radio to the thousands of folks who pass by our booth in the Hobby Hall is a tradition that carries well into the future.

Sparky

"Don't bite the hand that ……..looks dirty"

The Disclaimer…

These articles are intended to browse through recent activities and coming events of possible interest to the Radio Club of Tacoma members. It will of course by design and intent be informal and attempt to record some of the Club's activities that might otherwise go unnoticed.

Dateline: August 2009

Sparky's "Hamfest Special"

A look at a major Radio Club of Tacoma Annual Event…

Sparky thought it might be a good time to take a look at the Club's annual Hamfest and at the same time, solicit volunteer support for the many and varied jobs that make Hamfest possible.

- *Our Legacy…*
- *Hamfest Past*
- *Hamfest Recent*
- *The RCT needs you…*

Our Legacy

Hamfest/Swapmeet/Hamfair, Flea market Yard sale events are a venerated part of the amateur radio experience. They've probably been around in one form or another as long as amateur radio enthusiasts existed.

This year we are sponsoring our 41st annual Hamfest.

Here's part of an article that appeared in the August 1984 Logger's Bark under the heading "HAMFAIR"

SIXTEEN HAMFAIRS

Each year, in August, the main focus of attention of the RCT Club , is HAMFAIR. This is the 16th year that we have sponsored such an event.

In 1969, the Club sponsored the 2nd Annual State Hamfest, the first being held east of the mountain. The Hamfest was held at the Sportsman's Chateau, and the chairman was W7IKG, Merl. Approximately 350 persons attended the event.

The First Prize, a Swan 350 Transceiver, was won by WA7HFG. Activities included a QLF contest (sending code with your left foot), Horseshoe Toss and the Flea Market. The State Hamfest was supposed to be sponsored by a different group each year. The Club could not find a sponsor for 1970, so it was held again in Tacoma, and has since become an annual event.

In 1974, Hamfair was held at the Pierce County Fairground. These were the years! The county Fair was generally held just prior to Hamfair and the septic tanks had not been pumped and you can imagine the rest. The show continued to grow. Events included a hole in one contest. Division winners were George WABHH, for the adults and Mary Winter, Children's. W7LFA Norm Ray was the after dinner speaker and he presented a slide tour of

Africa. VE7AVN won first prize, an Icom 230. I had an opportunity to chat with him in Maple Ridge this year and he still remembers how envious everyone was of his new rig since it was the first synthesized 2 MTR transceiver produced. He still comes to Hamfair each year.

Chairman in 1974 was Dennis, W7UBA. In 1979, Hamfair was held in 6 tents at Camp Murray. Water was prevalent but 1,081 persons registered. The FCC gave exams and 13 upgrades were obtained out of the 48 taking the test. Chairman was WB7SDB Dave.

This year 1984, may prove to be the biggest and best of all. The chairman, W7BUN, is doing an outstanding job and has arranged a selection of seminars that will be hard to equal. The flea market is rapidly filling up and the commercial area may suffer from lack of space. Pre-registrations, as of July 16th are running 82 percent above last year.

The success of these events depend largely upon the participation of the Hams in the Northwest. Publicity is a necessity. The word is out, but each member can help insure success by mentioning Hamfair in your QSO's and inviting others to come to Tacoma and have fun at Hamfair"

Hamfest Past…

Here are a handful of Hamfest photos from the 1972 Hamfest:

Hamfest Recent...

The RCT needs you...

From selling tickets to helping vendors load and unload, from setup to tear-down, from talk in to cooking, there are jobs a-plenty for all to contribute to this annual activity that is both fun, rewarding, and puts money in the till to keep the lights on. Its only a few hours, and if you can help contact any of the RCT Hamfest team at Hamfest@w7dk.org

DK at the Fair Returns for 2009

by Pat WT7N

For the newer folks in the club who may not know… RCT operates a booth at the Western Washington Fair to get passer-bys interested in amateur radio. The ham in the booth answers questions, hands out various info, shows off the equipment, and sometimes gives a demonstration of Morse Code.

It's now time to think about volunteering for a shift or two at the Radio Club of Tacoma's booth at the Puyallup Fair. The fair runs from September 11-27 this year. The amateur radio booth is located in the Hobby Hall and the building hours are 10am-10pm Sunday-Thursday, and 10am-11pm Friday and Saturday. Beginning this year, we have the option to leave at 9pm.

We will have 3 shifts per day with 2 people per shift. The shifts will be: 10am-2pm, 2pm-6pm, and 6pm-10pm, Sunday through Thursday. Friday and Saturday will be 10am-2pm, 2pm-6pm, and 6pm-11pm (with option to leave early).

As in the past, volunteers receive free admission to the fair as well as free parking in the employee parking lot. The shift schedule will be available on the www.w7dk.org website in the near future.

You can contact me with questions or requests at pwingerter@harbornet.com or phone 253-274-8657.

Happy Birthday August

Day	Name	Call	RCT Number
2	Larry Watson	**KD4VOM**	1864
3	Larry Vogel	**KD7WLR**	2222
3	Robert Patton	**KD7YDL**	2314
4	Phil Gendreau	**W7PFZ**	1785
5	George Noble	**KK7FM**	1923
5	Rich Heasty	**KK7VH**	2070
6	CT Ballard	**N7UH**	2229
6	Frank Billington	**W7FJB**	1320
6	Garry Burris	**KE7WPH**	2395
7	Edward Harwood	**KB7FEW**	1277
8	Helen Sautner	**KF7DWB**	2427
9	Joe Lester	**K7AWJ**	2235
10	Don Perry	**K7QLC**	522
13	Ron Renwick	**KE7EWH**	2279
15	Davina Nolten	**KE7JQV**	2330
16	Jack Hegseth	**K7DBU**	459
17	George Lightner	**KD7QBE**	2076
17	Ryan Bentley	**KE7WPG**	2380
19	Mark Perrin	**KB7FLT**	2394
21	Bob Crelling	**N7QOZ**	1401
22	David Schattilly	**AD7BK**	2179
24	Ralph Fuller	**KA7FIG**	950
25	JD Shaw	**KE7LCW**	2333
28	Steve Blacksten	**AD7VL**	2161
29	Russ VanWinkle	**KE7MEK**	2352
29	Wayne Klingenberg	**KD7UBM**	2198

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To RCT Member:

AUGUST 2009 EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS: Wednesdays August 12th and 26th at the Library Administration Building 112th and Waller Road. The club meets at 7:30 PM. Everyone is invited to attend.

Board Meeting: Wednesday August 5th, 7:00 PM at the RCT clubhouse. All members are welcome to attend .

Bark Deadline: Last week-end of each month. Please submit articles by that time!

Support our club: Attend meetings, volunteer, Elmer!

Check into the weekly two meter net: Tuesdays at 7:30 PM on the club repeater on 147.280 MHz.

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